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Ms. Selma Sierra
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Dear Ms. Sierra,

On March 12, 2008, the Fish Lake National Forest determined that the lands included in the applications submitted by Ark Land Company to modify coal leases SL-062583, UTU-47080, and UTU-63214 are available for consideration to be added to these leases. The Fish Lake National Forest has participated in the preparation of the environmental assessment for this action as a cooperating agency and has determined that the analysis contained in the environmental assessment adequately discloses the impacts associated with adding these lands to the leases and addresses any concerns we have regarding the management of the surface resources of these lands by the Forest Service.

The Forest Service consented to the original issuance of the leases being modified and any subsequent adjustment of the lease terms and conditions. The lands being added to these leases in response to the application submitted by Ark Land Company will be mined underground with no direct impact to the surface of National Forest Lands. Therefore, the Fish Lake National Forest concurs with the finding of no significant impact documented in the environmental assessment and the decision to consent to these leases and their terms is unchanged by the modifications.

Sincerely,

ALLEN ROWLEY
Forest Supervisor

cc: Fred Houston, Terry Krasko, Diane Freeman

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